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Re: Transfer of Qwikstrip files

Dear Mark:

I regret to inform you that GMP is consolidating its intellectual property work. As a result, I am moving the GMP Qwikstrip patent portfolio to Banner & Witcoff. At this time, I request that you immediately forward your PCT file for Qwikstrip (PCT/US99/26298) to:

Brian Hanlon, Esq.
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Banner & Witcoff will handle the national stage filings due at the end of May. Please transfer the other patent files to them at your convenience.

We are also bringing the trademark work in house. Please send the Qwikstrip and Qwik-Spot trademark files to my attention.

It was a pleasure working with you.

Very truly yours,


Michael J. Keller

cc: Jeff Raney, Esq.
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July 27, 2001

Via Federal Express

Mr. Brian Hanlon
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Re: Transfer of GMP Qwikstrip Patent Files

Dear Mr. Hanlon:

At the request of Mike Keller of GMP Companies, we are hereby transferring all the Qwikstrip patent files in our possession. Also enclosed is a current docket sheet and copies of the Withdrawals filed. The following is the current status of the three active files:

1. PCT/Packaging for Adhesive Sided Articles to Allow One-Handed Application, US99/26298; Our File No. 0336FV.036594.
This file was previously forwarded to you on May 14, 2001 via Federal Express, pursuant to instructions from GMP that your firm would handle the 30-month deadline on May 24, 2001;
2. USP 6,225,522 - Packaging for Adhesive Sided Articles to Allow One-Handed Application; Our Ref. No. 0336FV.044007.
This application has issued and the original patent is enclosed. The first maintenance fee is due on November 1, 2004;
3. Div/Assembly for Dispensing Adhesive-Sided Articles to Allow One-Handed Application; Serial No. 09/819,040; Our Ref. No. 0336FV.044008.
This application was inadvertently filed on April 23, 2001 as a continuation patent application instead of a divisional, as intended. On May 7, 2001, we filed a petition requesting that this application be treated as a divisional. Our petition was granted (copy enclosed) and the divisional application has been issued serial no. 09/819,040 and given the original filing date of April 23, 2001. An information disclosure statement has not been filed pending the outcome of the petition.